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A LONG WAY FROM HOME.— It may be of interest to record that at 1350 hours on Thursday the 30th of June 1988, whilst *en route* from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to Bermuda on board a 55 foot yacht, a fresh specimen of the American painted lady butterfly, *Cynthia virginienensis* Drury, was seen flying strongly around the boat. It rested for 2-3 minutes on a spinnaker pole on the deck before continuing to fly, settling briefly on other parts of the boat. Unfortunately none of the crew saw from which direction it arrived, nor whence it eventually departed. The precise location was 28 degrees 44.97 minutes North, 75 degrees 41.46 minutes West which is about 250 miles east of Cape Canaveral and 145 miles north east of the Abaco Islands. I do not know whether the species is resident on the Abaco Islands, the nearest land. It was a very hot day with hardly a breath of wind; what little breeze there was was coming from the Atlantic. W.J. TENNENT, 1 Middlewood Close, Fylingthorpe, Whitby, North Yorkshire.